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CHAPTER 2.5.6.

EQUINE PIROPLASMOSIS

Article 2.5.6.1.

Standards for diagnostic tests are described in the *Terrestrial Manual*.

Article 2.5.6.2.

Veterinary Administrations of *importing countries* should require:

for equines

the presentation of an *international veterinary certificate* attesting that the animals:

1. showed no clinical sign of equine piroplasmosis on the day of shipment;
2. were subjected to diagnostic tests for equine piroplasmosis (~~*Babesia*~~ *Theileria equi* and ~~*B. Babesia*~~ *caballi*) with negative results during the 30 days prior to shipment;
3. were maintained free from ticks during the 30 days prior to shipment.

~~treated against ticks within the 7 days prior to shipment (the *importing country* may decide to import only during seasons when ticks are not active on its territory).~~

Article 2.5.6.3.

Veterinary Administrations of *importing countries* should consider the possibility of importing competition horses on a temporary basis and which are positive to the testing procedure referred to in point 2) of Article 2.5.6.2. under the following safeguards:

1. the horses are accompanied by a passport in conformity with the model contained in Appendix 4.1.5.;
2. the *Veterinary Administrations* of *importing countries* require the presentation of an *international veterinary certificate* attesting that the animals:
 - a) showed no clinical sign of equine piroplasmosis on the day of shipment;
 - b) were treated against ticks within the 7 days prior to shipment;
3. the horses are kept in an area where necessary precautions are taken to control ticks and that is under the direct supervision of the *Veterinary Authority*;
4. the horses are regularly examined for the presence of ticks under the direct supervision of the *Veterinary Authority*.